Instructions

This self-assessment tool is designed to evaluate the level of organizational readiness to meet the confirmation preliminary application evaluation standards.

Use these standardized questions and rating scale to assess the strength of your current employee performance management program and readiness to begin developing your application for performance management confirmation.

		Rating Scale		_
1	2	3	4	5
Nothing	Started,	Solidly	Above	Innovative
Started	but not completed	Completed	Standard	

	Questions	Rating	Strengths, Weaknesses, Next Steps
Executive Commitment			
How has your leadership demonstrated its commitment to a performance-based culture and receiving performance management confirmation?			
1.	Our organization demonstrates a historic culture of performance.		
2.	Our chief executive has communicated his/her commitment to both a performance management culture and performance management confirmation to employees.		
3.	Our senior leadership has been actively involved in the development of the agency's current performance management system and preparing for confirmation.		
4.	Our organization has formed a confirmation team composed of a cross-section of the agency.		
5.	Our senior leadership has given the team adequate resources, training, tools, and time to complete the project.		



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Re	adiness Assessment		,	
How supp	anizational Performance Planning has your leadership promoted and ported organizational performance planning results?			
6.	Our organization's vision, mission, and values are clearly stated and communicated to all employees.			
7.	Our organization has a strategic plan with business goals, objectives, and strategies in place.			
8.	Our organization has performance measures in place for each business line.			
9.	Our organization has a process for monitoring and reporting performance on:			
	Strategic plan and business plan goals.Organizational performance levels.			
10.	Our organization integrates the performance management system throughout the organization through activities such as GMAP, balance scorecard, WSQA and other types of assessments (e.g. internal and external audits).			
Wha impl prog	ognition or Reward Systems at is your organization's experience ementing formal recognition or reward prams? How are they aligned with your ness goals and measures?			
11.	Our organization demonstrates formally recognizing excellent performance.			
Ro	les & Responsibilities			
resp	do your current assigned roles and onsibilities support your existing employee ormance management program?			
12.	We have roles and responsibilities currently assigned for: Executive Management Human Resources Supervisors Employees			
13.	Each person with an assigned role is aware of the standards and expectations of their assigned roles.			

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Management Accountability		
How are your managers and supervisors currently held accountable for consistent, equitable, and transparent administration of your existing performance management program?		
Consequences are clear for failure to meet standards and expectations for management roles.		
Our managers and supervisors clearly understand the consequences for failure to meet performance management responsibilities.		
Administrative processes are in place for tracking manager and supervisor compliance with performance management standards and practices.		
Policies and Procedures		
How do your current policies and procedures support your existing performance management program?		
 Our Salary Determination policy (SDP): Describes the organization's general pay philosophy. Describes roles and responsibilities of various staff relative to compensation practices and processes. Describes how base salary and other elements of compensation are determined. 		
18. Our employee performance management policy (EPM):		
 Describes our executive commitment to EPM. Describes the linkage between EPM, organizational performance 		
management, and accomplishment of organizational goals. Describes the principles and purpose		
of the EPM system. □ Describes roles and responsibilities of various staff relative to EPM.		
Communication Strategy & Plan		
What are the significant communication risks that you will need to address moving forward.	Not Rated	
What are your contingency plans for eliminating misunderstandings and destructive myths.	Not Rated	

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Training & Orientation			
How does your training and development strategy support your performance management culture?			
19.	We have demonstrated executive commitment to staff training, including: ☐ Financial resources. ☐ Release time.		
20.	We have established training requirements for: Senior leaders and managers. Supervisors. Employees. New supervisors. New employees.		
21.	We have core training requirements for all employees that include: Ethics. Diversity. Sexual Harassment Prevention.		
22.	We have core training requirements for managers and supervisors that include: ☐ Supervisor's essentials or equivalent ☐ Performance Planning & Development		
23.	We have a monitoring and reporting system that: Comprehensively tracks all permanent employees. Audits PDPs for improvement Reports compliance to executive management.		
24.	We have 90% compliance with required training.		
PDP Implementation			
How does your current performance planning and evaluation (PDP) process support your existing performance management program?			
25.	Our organization has used the PDP to plan and appraise performance for one or more performance cycles.		
26.	Our organization has established timeframes and deadlines for completing the PDP.		

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27.	Our organization requires use of periodic interim reviews, including at least one midterm evaluation during the review period.		
28.	Our organization has a monitoring and reporting system that: Comprehensively tracks all permanent employees. Reports compliance to executive management.		
29.	Our organization reviews PDPs for quality and improvement.		
30.	Our organization has at least 90% completion/compliance rate for: Performance and Development plans. Individual development plans. Performance evaluations. Current position descriptions. (PDFs) Supervisor expectations for workforce management.		

Performance Incentive Program

Use these standardized questions and rating scale to assess the strength of your employee performance management program relative to developing a performance incentive program.

Questions	Strengths, Weaknesses, Next Steps
Performance Incentive Program	
We have discussed the desired outcomes we expect to achieve by developing an incentive program.	
We have discussed what parts of your organization and which employees will be impacted by this program.	
We have discussed what performance based practices we are proposing for our performance incentive program such as: Dollar amounts or salary percentages for lump sum, goal sharing, and gain sharing programs. Leave amounts for lump sum, goal sharing, and gain sharing programs. Percentages and/or timeframes for accelerated/decelerated progression pay programs. Benefits and/or penalties for layoff programs. Award levels (if using an award program with multiple levels).	

Consultation and Assistance

DOP staff are available to assist you throughout the confirmation process, including providing a briefing to your executive management team regarding the confirmation process. Please contact the PMC Coordinator, Kris Brophy, at KrisB@dop.wa.gov or 360-664-6285 for more information.

Tools and Resources

Use the following tools and resources to learn more about the confirmation process.

Confirmation Guide – Overview
Application Guide – Preliminary Application Submittal Guide
Application Guide - Interim Report and Final Submittal Guide
Monitoring Report Guide
Application Process Timeline chart
Preliminary Readiness Assessment
Employee Confidence Survey
Employee Performance Incentive Program Survey
Baldridge/WSQA Question Crosswalk table.
Application Process Table